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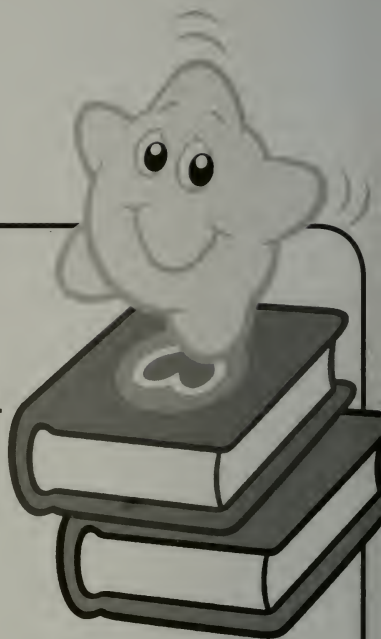
Book 6: Short a

Champ Care Bear at Bat!



In this story, you can learn all
about the short *a* sound.
Here are some words to sound out.

champ	bat
fast	nap
ran	glad



These are words that you will see in this story and many
other stories. You will want to learn them as well.

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These are some more challenging words that you will
see in this story.

baseball	friends	catch
taking	swung	missed

Champ Care Bear at Bat!



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Champ Care Bear was happy. He had his cap, his bat, and his ball.

He was ready to play baseball. He asked his friends to play with him.



“But I cannot bat or
catch or run fast,” said
Harmony Bear.

“Yes, you can!” said
Champ Care Bear.



First, Champ Care Bear was at bat. He hit the ball, but Bedtime Bear missed it. He was taking a nap. Champ Care Bear ran fast to first base.



Good Luck Bear and
Funshine Bear had hits,
but Champ Care Bear
ran fast to catch the ball.

“You tried your best,
Funshine,” said Do-Your-
Best Bear.



Finally, Harmony Bear
was at bat.

She swung twice but
missed the ball.

She felt mad.

She put down the bat
and sat down.



“I am not good at this game!” she said.

“I told you I could not bat.”

“Yes, you can,” said
Champ Care Bear.

“Don’t be sad. I am just
glad we can all play
together.”



Champ Care Bear helped
Harmony Bear swing the
bat. She hit the ball up high.
“Clap your hands!” cheered
Cheer Bear. “It is a grand
slam!” Harmony Bear
ran fast.



“We did it,”

Harmony Bear said.

“Thanks, Champ Care Bear!”

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What happens when Champ Care Bear asks his friends to play baseball with him? Read this story to find out, and learn all about the short *a* sound.

